

meant for the execution of decrees these expenses are met out of the head "Copying Charges". I request that the amount may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

16. Rs. 6,382—8—0—Under "7—Excise—Refunds"

Mr. M. Raman Menon (*Commissioner of Excise*): Sir, I beg to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 6,382—8—0 under "7—Excise—Refunds". Of this amount Rs. 5,062—8—0 is for the refund of duty collected upon salt jettisoned by the Bombay Contractor during transport from Bombay and Rs. 1,320 is for refund of the rebate allowed to the Tata Oil Mills upon salt used for the manufacture of soaps. Government have sanctioned a rebate of duty at 8 annas per maund from the beginning of 1116 onwards. The company after the execution of the bond and agreement was able to take salt at the concession rate only with effect from 20th Vrischigam 1116. A total quantity of 2,640 maunds of salt had been used by the company till that date. They are therefore entitled to a refund of duty on this quantity to the extent of the rebate allowed. I request that the House may be pleased to grant this amount.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): Just on a point of information, Sir, what were the circumstances under which the jettisoning was made?

Mr. M. Raman Menon (*Commissioner of Excise*): Owing to rough weather salt had to be jettisoned.

Demand put and carried

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. The Cochin Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon (*Advocate-General*): Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill be read in Council. This is an absolutely non-controversial measure. With the separation of Burma and Aden from British India it is not possible now in the light of section 39 of the Civil Procedure Code to have reciprocity in the matter of execution of decrees with those countries and Cochin. Proposals have been received from those countries through the Political Department for establishing such reciprocity and therefore, it has become necessary to achieve this